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Iron Works DONBAS at KOSICE, CSR

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1. SIG-02 reports that the DONBAS iron works located at KOSICE, CSR is undergoing extensive expansion, and will employ approximately 45,000 persons upon completion. In conjunction with this expansion, a large workers housing settlement is being built nearby. Production in this iron works is expected to reach one million tons per year. The DONBAS iron works have been renamed the "HU-KO", (Hutni Kombinat).

2. Subordinate to, but a part of this new building project is a new penicillin plant now under construction in the same area. The plant is reportedly an exact copy of such a plant delivered to PRAHA by UNRRA after the war. SIG-02 also reports that the complete machinery necessary for penicillin plants of this type are now being produced at an unknown location in CSR, and sufficient machinery for several plants have already been exported to USSR. The firm reported in MOLA-8836, ⁷²⁰ accomplished the initial ground proving for this penicillin plant, which was carried on the firms records as a fertilizer factory.

3. The above information will be incorporated in MGP-37

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